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TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND CONG. CARL ALBER
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LBJ .....
.....thought you were a working man!

CA Well I came home early to take my little girl to an all-night slumber party ...that's why I got home so early.

LBJ Well you know what happened...

CA I'm sorry..don't have anybody to leave my boy with..and Mary is already in bed.

LBJ Well I'll be damned...you know that's whats wrong with this country..thats what's wrong with the government..I called today and Mansfield is out on a beach in Florida..Humphrey was out at Cape somewhere..and I got ahold of Kuchel..and he was down in Florida...basking in the sunshine and I called the Majority Leader..of the House...to eat at 7:30...and I was going to tell him I'd feed him in an hour...and I still have 200 Executive Orders and letters to sign...and my old friend has gone home and gone to sleep on me!

CA That's right, Mary is in bed asleep..my little girl..she took off and I'm ...

LBJ Well, we'll do it sometime earlier in the day...

CA Thank you sir.

LBJ Now, Lady Bird will be calling you...tell her I've already talked to you by mistake but I just wanted somebody I loved to eat dinner with..

CA Thank you. I want you to say hello to my boy..

LBJ I'd love to..

Child Hello, Mr. President.

LBJ How are you my friend...you doing all right?

Child Yes

LBJ Well, I'm sure glad to hear you and you sure have got a good Daddy and Mommy and I bet you're a good boy, too.

Child Yes

LBJ Well, you come to see me someday with your Daddy, will you?

Child O.K..

LBJ O.K. Much obliged..and goodbye..

CA O.K. Thank you sir.

LBJ Thank you Carl and tell Lady Bird that I've already called you..before she goes to telling you about it.

CA All right. Thank you sir.

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